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Kidnapping, Attempted Murder Charges Filed in Shooting of West Hills Man

A Winnetka man has been charged in connection with the alleged kidnapping and shooting of Joel Keith Ravin, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Deputy District Attorney Sheetal Jhala said Randall Elmer Stinson (dob 7/21/85) was charged yesterday with two counts of attempted willful, deliberate and premeditated murder, kidnapping to commit robbery and kidnapping.

Case LA082052 includes allegations that Stinson personally discharged a handgun.

Stinson entered a not guilty plea to the charges and his bail was set at more than \$3 million. He is scheduled to return for a preliminary hearing setting on Nov. 25 in Department 120 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Van Nuys Branch.

According to the criminal complaint, the 30-year-old victim was kidnapped, forced into the suspect's vehicle and driven to various locations on Oct. 4. The victim was driven back to his residence where he was allegedly shot multiple times but survived, the prosecutor said.

If convicted as charged Stinson faces a possible maximum penalty of 75 years to life in state prison.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Topanga Station.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.